REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicant is electing, with traverse, the species of Figs. 1A, 1B, 2 and 7. Applicant has canceled Claims 4, 10, 12 and 19 without prejudice, and Applicant identifies that the pending Claims 1-3, 5-9, 11, and 13-18 encompass the elected species.

If the Examiner has any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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